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AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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SUBJECT: NEW PRC AMBASSADOR TO NORTH VIETNAM: FU HAO

1. PEKING'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO HANOI, FU HAO (4569/3185), HAD BEEN SERVING AS ONE OF FIVE VICE-MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SINCE 1972.

2. A PARTY MEMBER, FORMER ARMY AND SECURITY OFFICER, FU (AGED 58) HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS ALOOF AND SECRETIVE. HE ONCE HEADED A PLA DIVISIONAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT AND SERVED AS SECRETARY OF THE SOCIAL DEPARTMENT OF THE CCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE. AT ONE TIME, HE WAS COMMISSIONER OF THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION (WHICH SPECIALIZED IN CODES) OF THE GENERAL OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT.

3. FU SERVED AS COUNSELOR OF THE PRC EMBASSY IN MONGOLIA FROM DECEMBER 1950 UNTIL MAY 1954, WHEN HE WAS NAMED COMMISSIONER OF THE ASIAN DEPARTMENT OF MOFA. IN MARCH 1955, HE TRAVELED TO JAPAN AS ADVISER TO A CHINESE TRADE DELEGATION AND WAS SAID TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DELEGATION'S SECURITY AND DISCIPLINE. IN THE FALL OF THAT

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YEAR, HE WAS APPOINTED COUNSELOR OF THE PRC EMBASSY IN

NEW DELHI, WHERE HE SERVED UNTIL JUNE 1962. WE HAVE NO RECORD OF HIS ACTIVITIES FROM 1962 UNTIL NOVEMBER 1970 WHEN HE WAS NAMED DIRECTOR OF MOFA'S GENERAL OFFICE. IN MAY OF 1972, HE WAS NAMED ONE OF MOFA'S FIVE NEW VICE-FOREIGN MINISTERS.

4. IN SEPTEMBER 1971, HE ACCOMPANIED THE THEN MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE PAI HSIANG-KUO TO FRANCE BUT HE REPORTEDLY IS NOT WELL VERSED IN THE ECONOMICS OF FOREIGN TRADE. TRAVELING TO NEW YORK IN NOVEMBER 1971, HE WAS THE THIRD RANKING MEMBER OF THE PRC DELEGATION TO THE 26TH UNGA MEETING. IN 1974, PEOPLE'S DAILY FREQUENTLY HAS LISTED FU AS AMONG THE PERSONS ON HAND AT PEKING'S AIRPORT TO GREET OR BID FAREWELL TO VISITING DIGNITARIES AND DELEGATIONS.
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